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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, Applicant hereby submits an Information Disclosure Statement for the above-identified application.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 (b)(1) and/or 1.97(b)(3). As such, it appears that no fee is required for consideration of the Statement by the Examiner.

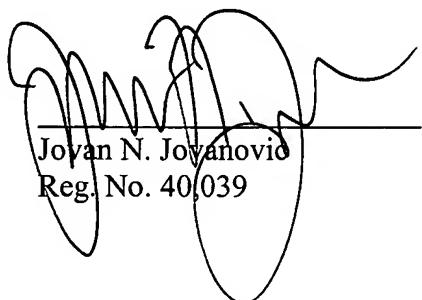
Accompanying this statement is Form PTO-1449, on which the references being submitted herewith are listed, as well as a Statement of the Basis of Relevance of The Non-Translated Foreign References for applicable references. A copy of each of the references is enclosed.

This Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to be an admission that the information cited in the same is, or is considered to be, material to patentability under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56. As such, neither this Statement nor the accompanying documents are intended to take the place of the Examiner's independent search of the prior art and independent evaluation of the prior art and other information, including that brought to the Examiner's attention with this Statement.

If any other charges or fees must be paid or credited in connection with this communication, they may be paid or credited out of Deposit Account No. 50-2131.

Respectfully Submitted,

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STATEMENT OF THE BASIS OF RELEVANCE OF THE NON-TRANSLATED

FOREIGN REFERENCES

Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98 (a)(3)(i), Applicant hereby submits a Statement of the Basis of Relevance of the Non-Translated Foreign References for the above-identified application.

<u>Publication Number</u>	<u>Publication Date</u>	<u>Basis for Relevance</u>
DE 2553221	November 25, 1975	The storage system has a number of shelves supported one above the other by pillars or walls, also a lifting mechanism in front of them above a gangway. From this a number of hoist ropes lead to a lifting frame with a load transfer mechanism. The lifting mechanism (6) travels on rails (3) above the shelves (1) and running parallel to the gangway the lifting frame (8), working in conjunction with the divisions between the shelves, so as to determine the position of the frame in relation to the shelves when loading or unloading. The frame can have driven travel rollers for movement along the gangway.
"F+H Fordern und Heben", 52, No. 7, page 461	July 2002	A storage and retrieval system comprises a plurality of transport units which are movable in a horizontal plane. Each transport unit is connected to a supporting carriage by means of four ropes by which the supporting carriage is movable in the vertical direction. The supporting carriage comprises a transfer unit for charging and discharging storage items. Stabilizing means are provided to prevent swinging of the rope-connected supporting carriage during moving of the transport unit.
DE 4325946	February 9, 1995	Between the crane or crab (1) and the load extend guide cables (6a-h) for damping the load swing. The cables are wound on guide cable drums (5). For each swing plane are provided several guide cables. The drums are fitted to a frame (3) suspended from the crane or crab. The guide cables are under such tensile force, as to act against the load swing. The force is generated by a drive set whose working force or movement is controlled independently of the guide cable drum speed. The lengths of the guide cables are mutually independent and variable even during the crane operation.

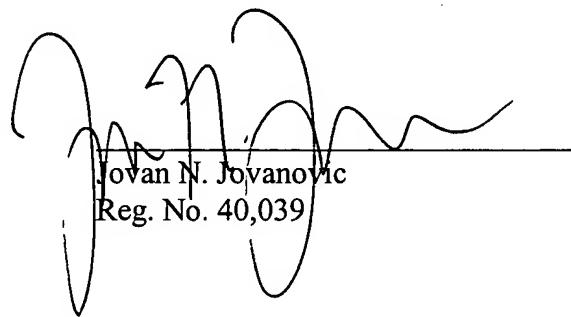
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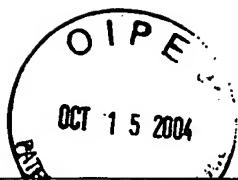
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		DE 2553221	25/11/1975	DE			X
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